

HUNTING AND FISHING TOURS IN SCOTLAND

Introduction

The dramatic natural environment of Scotland offers some of the World's finest hunting and fishing and we are able to organize such activities in virtually any location. Guests should refer to the table below which shows the seasons for hunting in Scotland. A game licence is required to hunt in Scotland and we are able to obtain these on your behalf. The season for salmon fishing varies according to region, but generally runs from early February to late October and the brown trout season is March 15th - 6th October. There is no closed season for rainbow trout as this is not an indigenous species.

Shotguns and rifles for hunting can be provided for visitors and the relevant permits from the police can be obtained on your behalf. If our guests wish to bring their own shotguns or rifles, we can also organize this for you, but we must apply for the permits at least 8 weeks before your arrival in the UK.

Each tour is personally designed to incorporate the activity that interests you. So you can choose the time you travel and for how long.

Accommodations can also be matched to your requirements from lodges to 5 star accommodations.

Sightseeing and excursion options are also available.

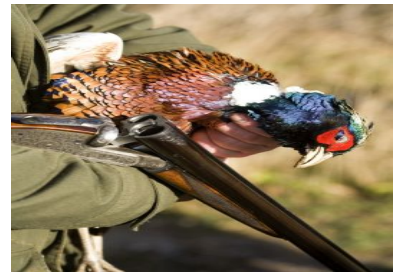
Deer Stalking

The most popular type of deer stalking in Scotland is for red deer. These magnificent animals are a symbol of Scotland and a red deer stag with a full set of antlers is a wonderful quarry. There are 750,000 red deer in Scotland and most stalking takes place in the Highlands. Roe deer stalking is an increasingly popular sport, as their numbers are now said to at least match the population of red deer in Scotland. Examples of estates in the different regions are: Ardlussa on the Isle of Jura and Glen Borrodale in the Western Highlands.



Hunting for Grouse / Pheasant / Partridge / Snipe

Grouse Shooting takes place on carefully tended grouse moors - mainly in the Highlands, Angus and the Borders. Pheasant Shoots are probably the most common and sought after in Scotland. As the birds are usually "farm-reared" and released over suitable terrain, the supply is consistent and plentiful. We have access to numerous locations the length and breadth of the country to match the requirements of every party. Walked-Up Woodcock and Snipe Shooting is available mainly on the West Coast and Islands.



Wildfowling

Wildfowling is available on the coastal marshes and goose shooting is popular in the Orkneys, where the skies are filled with thousands of geese every morning and evening. At fed flight ponds Graylag and Pinkfoot are just as likely as a variety of ducks. Further south in the Solway Firth there is also excellent goose and duck shooting.



Clay Pigeon

Tuition in shooting for the novice can be given before taking part in a hunting expedition. More experienced guns may wish to experience some more challenging clay shooting. We can offer clay pigeon shooting in many locations around Scotland and at several of the first class hotels we use. Training is given by fully qualified and insured instructors.



Salmon and Trout Fishing

We offer guided fly-fishing for salmon and brown/rainbow trout in a variety of locations, from Islay to the east coast. Scotland is famous for its salmon. Magnificent rivers such as the Spey, Tay, Tweed, Helmsdale and Nith deliver outstanding Atlantic Salmon. Your professional ghillie (guide) will lead you to the best spots on the river. If the water levels are high, fishing for salmon will switch from fly to spinning. Tuition in fly casting can be given by professional guides.



Sea Fishing

Scotland offers excellent and very varied sea fishing, from both shore and boat, with stunning coastal scenery to match. The Western Isles are warmed by the Gulf Stream and are teeming with fish. Whales, dolphins and basking sharks are commonly seen here.

Boats can be taken from Oban, Loch Sunnart and Girvan to fish for species such as cod, pollack, wrasse, conger, mackerel, shark and tope as well as skate weighing over 200lbs.



HUNTING SEASONS IN SCOTLAND

Species	Season
Pheasant	1 st October-1 st February
Partridge	1 st September-1 st February
Grouse/Ptarmigan	12 th August-10 th December
Woodcock	1 st September-31 st January
Snipe	12 th August-31 st January
Duck/Goose	1 st September-31 st January
Woodpigeon	All year
Rabbit/Fox/Grey Squirrel	All year
Hare	All year
Muntjac deer	All year
Red Deer	Stags: 1 st July-20 th October Hinds: 21 st October-15 th February
Fallow Deer	Bucks: 1 st August-30 th April Does: 21 st October-15 th February
Roe Deer	Bucks: 1 st April-20 th October Does: 21 st October-31 st March

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